

COMMEMORATING THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE TEXAS RANGER DIVISION OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. CRUZ. Mr. President, as if in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 86, which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 86) commemorating the bicentennial of the Texas Ranger Division of the Texas Department of Public Safety, the oldest State law enforcement agency in North America, and honoring the men and women, past and present, of the Texas Rangers.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. CRUZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 86) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

Mr. CRUZ. Mr. President, I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MARKEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR—Continued

NOMINATION OF MARGARET R. GUZMAN

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, today the Senate will vote to confirm Judge Margaret Guzman to the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

Judge Guzman has had a lengthy and distinguished career in public service and is highly qualified to be a district court judge. Judge Guzman received her B.A. from Clark University and her J.D. from Boston University Law School. She then served as a public defender for 13 years and later as a solo practitioner for 4 years. Throughout her legal career, she tried more than 175 cases to verdict, judgment, or final decision. In 2009, Judge Guzman was appointed to be an associate justice of the District Court on the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Trial Court. Since 2017, she has been the first justice and a district court judge on the Ayer District Court in Middlesex County, MA. While on the bench, Judge

Guzman has presided over more than 1,000 cases that have gone to verdict or judgment.

In addition to bringing professional diversity to the courts as a former public defender, Judge Guzman would also bring demographic diversity to the bench as the first Hispanic judge to serve on the District of Massachusetts. The American Bar Association's Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary rated Judge Guzman "qualified," and she has the strong support of her home State Senators, Mr. MARKEY and Ms. WARREN.

I urge my colleagues to support Judge Guzman's nomination.

Mr. MARKEY. Mr. President, I come to the floor today to speak in support of the nomination of Judge Margaret Guzman to serve as a U.S. district judge for the District of Massachusetts. Yesterday, the Senate invoked cloture on Judge Guzman's nomination, and in a few minutes, we will vote on her confirmation.

Margaret Guzman currently serves as a Massachusetts State district court judge. She is a Massachusetts native and a graduate of Clark University in Worcester and the Boston University School of Law.

In addition to Judge Guzman's more than 20 years of service on the Massachusetts State judiciary, her three-decade career in the law includes work as a solo practitioner handling civil cases and a public defender representing indigent criminal offenders. Judge Guzman will therefore bring to the Federal bench not only the knowledge and experience of a State court judge who has presided over more than 1,000 cases in her career that have gone to verdict or judgment but the wisdom of a public defender and solo practitioner, joining together precisely the kind of professional legal diversity that the Biden administration has made a priority and that the Federal judiciary badly needs.

But there is more to Margaret Guzman than this impressive legal resume. Her personal story has also shaped her and her outlook from the bench. In 1999, during a challenging time for her family, she became the guardian and custodian to six of her nieces and nephews, then age 3 to 15. During this time, she also took on a caretaker role for her ailing mother. These daunting personal experiences helped Judge Guzman understand and appreciate the difficulties that so many people—especially those who are involved in the criminal justice system—face in their day-to-day lives.

Her lived experience has led her to always show compassion and understanding to her own clients as a practicing attorney and to the litigants who appear before her as a judge and to ensure that those who must navigate our judicial system—especially the indigent and marginalized—are always treated fairly and with dignity and respect.

Finally, Judge Guzman will be a trailblazer. When confirmed, she will

be the first Latina to serve on the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts—a long overdue milestone in a State that has nearly 1 million Latinos who call Massachusetts their home. Out of our 7 million residents, 1 million are Latino.

Senator WARREN and I are proud to recommend Judge Guzman as a nominee to President Biden and proud to have that nomination before the whole Senate today. Judge Guzman leaves me with no doubt that she will serve the people of Massachusetts with distinction as a Federal district court judge. I urge all of my colleagues to vote yes on her confirmation today.

Senator WARREN and I give you our assurances that she will be a superior district court judge representing our entire country.

I yield the floor.

VOTE ON GUZMAN NOMINATION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the Guzman nomination?

Ms. SMITH. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. FETTERMAN), and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) are necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO).

(Mr. HICKENLOOPER assumed the Chair.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 48, nays 48, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 32 Ex.]

YEAS—48

Baldwin	Hickenlooper	Rosen
Bennet	Hirono	Sanders
Blumenthal	Kaine	Schatz
Booker	Kelly	Schumer
Brown	King	Shaheen
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Sinema
Cardin	Lujan	Smith
Carper	Manchin	Stabenow
Casey	Markey	Tester
Coons	Menendez	Van Hollen
Cortez Masto	Murphy	Warner
Duckworth	Murray	Warnock
Durbin	Ossoff	Warren
Gillibrand	Padilla	Welch
Hassan	Peters	Whitehouse
Heinrich	Reed	Wyden

NAYS—48

Barrasso	Daines	Lummis
Blackburn	Ernst	Marshall
Boozman	Fischer	McConnell
Braun	Graham	Moran
Britt	Grassley	Mullin
Budd	Hagerty	Murkowski
Capito	Hawley	Paul
Cassidy	Hoeben	Ricketts
Collins	Hyde-Smith	Risch
Cornyn	Johnson	Romney
Cotton	Kennedy	Rounds
Cramer	Lankford	Rubio
Cruz	Lee	Schmitt